



June 13, 2002

Coal Regulatory Program
Attn.: Pam Grubaugh-Littig
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
Box 145801
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Extension Request for the Phase I Bond Release Response to the Division

TA, Mountain Coal Company, LLC Gordon Creek 2, 7, & 8 Mines,

C/007/016.

Dear Ms. Grubaugh-Littig:

Mountain Coal Company respectfully requests an extension to the deadline to respond the Division's TA regarding the mine's application for Phase I Bond release at the Gordon Creek 2, 7, and 8 Mines. We request an extension of the deadline to July 19, 2002. We appreciate your help in this matter. If you have any questions, please give me a call at (435) 448-2669.

Sincerely:

Chris D. Hansen

Project Representative

Mountain Coal Company, LLC.

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